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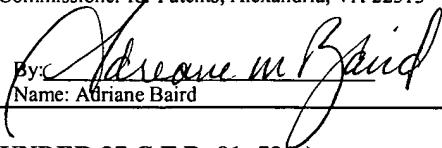
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## CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

## MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continuation application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of Serial No. 09/669,556, filed on September 26, 2000 entitled "QUERY OPTIMIZATION TECHNIQUE FOR OBTAINING IMPROVED CARDINALITY ESTIMATES USING STATISTICS ON AUTOMATIC SUMMARY TABLES" by the following inventor(s):

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- New specification: 32 pages of specification, 33 claims, 1 Abstract page. (It is noted that the new specification does not contain any subject matter that would have been new matter in the prior application.)
- Five (5) sheets of formal drawings.
- Copy of Signed Declaration as filed in the prior application.
- Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449 and copies of references (when required)
- A charge to the Deposit Account identified below in the amount of \$1,004.00 to cover the Filing Fee.
- Copy of Revocation and Power of Attorney in the prior application to:

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<b>Total Claims</b>				
33	20	13	x \$18.00	= \$234.00
<b>Independent Claims</b>				
3	3	0	x \$86.00	= \$0.00
<b>MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE</b>				<b>\$0.00</b>
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Please consider this a **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if appropriate.

Please charge all fees to Deposit Account No. 09-0460 of IBM Corporation, the assignee of the present application. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

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